## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-17 (Canceled)

- 18. (Currently amended) A computer-aided method for improving a user's emotional state comprising:
  - a. receiving from the user:
    - i. attributes of emotion perceived as influencing his general emotional state,
    - ii. a weighting factor for each of said attributes of emotion representing a degree of influence each of said attributes of emotion bears on his general emotional state,
  - b. receiving from the user an emotion feeling input representing the emotion feeling of the user at a particular moment,
  - c. applying an a first algorithm to the attributes of emotions and the associated weighting factors inputted by the user so as convert the emotional feeling inputted by the user into a happiness-index reflective of the emotional feeling, the attributes of emotion, and the weighting factors inputted by the user, said emotion feeling input so as to generate a happiness index reflective of said user inputted attributes of emotions and said associated weighting factors, and
  - d. providing a recommendation formulating a recommended course of action for the improvement of the user's emotional state by applying a second algorithm to based on said happiness-index and to a database of treatment options associated with the attributes of emotion received from the user.

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- 19. (Previously Presented) The computer-aided method for improving a user's emotional state of claim 18 wherein said receiving attribute of emotion includes receiving said attributes of emotion as a written input.
- 20. (Previously Presented) The computer-aided method for improving a user's emotional state of claim 19 wherein said receiving attribute of emotion includes receiving said attribute of emotion as a written input selected from a written list of emotional attributes.
- 21. (Previously Presented) The computer-aided method for improving a user's emotional state of claim 18 wherein said receiving attribute of emotion includes receiving said attribute of emotion as a verbal input.
- 22. (Previously Presented) The computer-aided method for improving a user's emotional state of claim 18 wherein said happiness-index is expressed in terms of a visual representation of rating enabling comparison to other generated happiness-indexes.
- 23. (Currently Amended) The computer-aided method for improving a user's emotional state of claim 18 wherein said representation of rating <a href="https://happiness-index">happiness-index</a> is expressed in terms of an audiovisual presentation.
- 24. (Previously Presented) The computer-aided method of claim 18 wherein said providing a recommendation includes providing said recommendation drawn from a data base containing an emotional profile similar to that of the user.
- 25. (Previously Presented) The computer-aided method of claim 18 wherein said providing a recommendation includes providing an interactive communications link to a qualified psychological professional who provides said recommendation.
- 26. (Previously Presented) The computer-aided method of claim 18 wherein said providing a recommendation includes providing an interactive

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communications link to a group of individuals that provides support and assistance.

- 27. (Previously Presented) The computer-aided method of claim 18 further comprising receiving updated attributes of emotion and associated weighting factors to be used by said algorithm in future happiness-index calculations.
- 28. (Previously Presented) The computer-aided method of claim 18 further comprising storing said inputted attributes of emotion, said associated weighting factors, said inputted emotional feeling and said recommendations into a collective emotional-profile data bank for the sake of improving future recommendations.